## COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

## BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

THE EFFECTS OF THE FEDERAL TAX )
REFORM ACT OF 1986 ON THE RATES ) CASE NO. 9801
OF HAROLD TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC. )

## ORDER

shall file an original and 12 copies of the following information with the Commission, with a copy to all parties of record, by no later than March 30, 1987. Include the names of the witnesses who will be responsible for responding to questions related to the information provided. If the information cannot be provided by this date Harold should submit a motion, for the Commission's consideration, requesting an extension of time. State the reason a delay is necessary and include a date by which the information will be filed.

1. In response to the Commission's Order of December 11, 1986, responding utilities have made numerous adjustments to reflect the effects on revenue requirements of increases and decreases in tax expense resulting from the 1986 Tax Reform Act. In order to allow every utility the same opportunity to address the numerous elements contained in the various filings the following list of issues is provided. The effects of Items (1), (2) and (3) shall be addressed by all utilities. The effects of Items (4) through (20) should be addressed by each utility as applicable.

For each item below, provide the dollar amount for each adjustment or, for items omitted, an explanation as to why the information is not being supplied. Include a detailed explanation and workpapers of how each amount was determined and a reconciliation of the sum of these adjustments to the total amount of revenue requirement affect included in the original application.

- (1) Federal tax rate change 46 to 34 percent.
- (2) Amortization of excess deferred taxes.
  - (a) Depreciation related.
  - (b) Non-depreciation related.
- (3) Unbilled revenues.
- (4) Alternative minimum tax.
- (5) Kentucky income taxes.
- (6) Investment tax credits.
- (7) Capitalized overheads.
- (8) Capitalized interest.
- (9) Depreciation.
- (10) Vacation pay.
- (11) ESOP.
- (12) Pension expense.
- (13) Uncollectible accounts and bad debt reserve.
- (14) Provision for 80 percent of certain business expense deductions.
- (15) Contributions in aid of construction.
- (16) Customer advances for construction.
- (17) Super fund taxes.
- (18) PGAs.

- (19) Cash flow.
- (20) Payroll taxes.
- 2. Provide any comments you deem appropriate as to the procedure of adjusting rates effective July 1, 1987, to reflect the change in revenue requirements based on the lowering of the top corporate rate to 34 percent.
- 3. Identify the method used to account for the investment tax credit on Harold's books of account.
- 4. Per the filing of March 2, 1987, the change in local service rates was calculated to equal the change in tax expense adjusted for the possible change in toll revenues. However, the change in rates should be calculated by using a tax conversion factor to determine the increase, or decrease, in revenues necessary to maintain Harold's earnings at the level reported for calendar year 1986. Include such calculation in determining the change in rates necessary to reflect the impact of the tax reform act.
- 5. Based on the results of the above calculations provide proposed tariff sheets reflecting the changes in rates.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 16th day of March. 1987.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

For the Commission

ATTEST:

Executive Director